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Sir:

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- [X] Information Disclosure Statement
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# STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

# PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case.

No fee or certification is required.

The applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

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A non-provisional application based on the above provisional application was filed on May 14, 2004, for which an application serial number has not yet been assigned.

### PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

# <u>PART III:</u> Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):

The relevance of DE 3631923 may be determined by its English language translation and its figures.

The relevance of JP A-2-158105 may be determined by its English language translation and its figures.

The relevance of JP 61 207939 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures.

The relevance of DE 4237072 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures.

The relevance of EP 1050057B1 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures.

The relevance of JP 58 182746 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures. The relevance of JP 56 142430 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures. The relevance of JP 01 032138 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures. The relevance of JP 62 102127 may be determined by its English abstract and its figures.

### PART IV: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. Since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of all U.S. patents and U.S. application publications are not enclosed. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;

2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;

3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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